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VIA OVERNIGHT COURIER

Mr. Gary Miller Superfund Division, Region 6 (6SF-AP) Arkansas/Texas Section U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

Re: March 2008 Monthly Status Report, Gulfco Marine Maintenance Site, Freeport, Texas

Dear Mr. Miller:

Pursuant to Section XII, Paragraph 53 of the amended Unilateral Administrative Order (UAO) for the above-referenced Site, Pastor, Behling & Wheeler, LLC (PBW) has prepared this monthly status report on behalf of LDL Coastal Limited LP (LDL), Chromalloy American Corporation (Chromalloy) and The Dow Chemical Company (Dow). As discussed in our telephone conversation on August 2, 2005, monthly status reports for a given month will be submitted by the 15th of the following month as required in Paragraph 53 of the UAO, rather than by the 10th of the following month as indicated in Appendix 1 of the UAO. In accordance with the UAO requirements this report addresses the topics listed below:

- 1. <u>Actions which have been taken toward achieving compliance with the UAO during the previous month</u> The following actions were taken during the previous month:
 - Notification of an additional RI/FS Subcontractor to be used on the project (UAO Section XI Paragraph 42) was provided in a letter to you dated March 31, 2008.
 - RI/FS site characterization activities (SOW Paragraphs 34 through 36) detailed under Task 6 of the RI/FS Work Plan including:
 - Subtask 6.3 Validation of laboratory data for soil samples collected from 7 locations within the area of the Site north of Marlin Avenue (the North Area) was completed.
 - Subtask 6.5 Phase 4 groundwater investigation activities as proposed in a February 11, 2008 letter to you were approved by your letter dated March 18, 2008.
 - Subtask 6.7 Phase 4 wetland sediment investigation activities as proposed in a February 12, 2008 letter to you were approved, with modifications, by your letter dated March 18, 2008.

- Risk Assessment activities (SOW Paragraphs 37) detailed under Task 7 of the RI/FS Work Plan data analysis, human health risk evaluation and ecological risk evaluation were partially completed.
- 2. Results of sampling, tests, modeling and all other data (including raw data) received or generated by or on behalf of Respondents during the previous month The following data were received or generated during the previous month:
 - The validation report for the soil sample analyses described above is provided in electronic form on the enclosed DVD.
 - The updated database, including all data validated through March 31, 2008, is provided in electronic format on the enclosed DVD.
- 3. Actions, data and plans which are scheduled for the next two months and other information relating to the progress of work The following actions are planned for the next two months:
 - RI/FS site characterization activities (SOW Paragraphs 34 through 36) detailed under Task 6 of the RI/FS Work Plan (weather and access permitting) including:
 - O Subtask 6.5 Groundwater/NAPL investigation to be continued through monitoring well/piezometer installation and development, groundwater sampling and analysis, hydraulic testing, data validation, and data evaluation.
 - o Subtask 6.7 Sediment investigation to be continued through sample collection, sample analyses, data validation, and data evaluation.
 - Risk Assessment activities (SOW Paragraphs 37) detailed under Task 7 of the RI/FS Work Plan to be continued through data analysis, human health risk evaluation and ecological risk evaluation.
- 4. Information regarding percentage of completion, all delays encountered or anticipated that may affect the future schedule for completion of the work required, and efforts made to mitigate those delays or anticipated delays RI/FS activities are approximately 70% complete. No delays were encountered this month.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this status report. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

PASTOR, BEHLING & WHEELER, LLC

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